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3. [] Met with Chairman Lucien Nedzi, Intelligence Subcommittee, and Assistant Chief Counsel Frank Slatinshek, House Armed Services Committee, whom I briefed, in response to the Chairman's request, on the recent coup in Ghana, explaining why the Agency could not have been expected to learn of it sufficiently in advance to warn the White House prior to Mrs. Nixon's visit. This led to a lengthy discussion of the problems of predicting coups in various areas particularly in a number of unstable countries in Africa, Latin America, and the Middle East.

Mr. Nedzi inquired about the "Rehnquist report" and I explained that a draft was now being circulated by the White House for comment by Executive agencies, and we hoped it would be out by the end of the month.

Mr. Nedzi said he would like to have an early session of his Subcommittee for a general intelligence briefing and a discussion of the reorganization of the intelligence community. On the latter point, Slatinshek noted that the White House documents on the subject assigning to the DDCI major responsibility for the Agency's plans, programs and day-to-day operations were counter to the statements made by the Director and me that the Director would remain in full control of the Agency despite his new responsibilities in community matters. I responded that it was too soon to say exactly what functions the Director might delegate to his Deputy, but I thought there was no doubt he would remain in charge of CIA in all major respects.

Mr. Nedzi said he would also like to have his Subcommittee hear the Director on the matter of the security and classification of Government documents, preferably in open session. I said such a request would create very serious problems for us. Messrs. Nedzi and Slatinshek argued that many aspects of this problem, and also the reorganization of the community, might be discussed in open session and such discussion could do much to ease public and political concern about these two important matters. I urged that before any formal proposals were made along these lines the Chairman discuss the matter personally with the Director, and suggested an early meeting for this purpose to which the Chairman agreed.

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4. [] In the absence of Representative H. R. Gross, I met with Julian Morrison of his staff in response to Mr. Gross' letter to the Director of 22 December inquiring about press stories that Soviet intelligence agents recently PNG'd from Belgium and the U.K. had been assigned to UNESCO. I said we kept close tabs on these individuals and the story was completely unfounded.

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